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CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371

U.S. APPLICATION NO. (if known, see 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1))

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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.  
PCT/EP98/08507

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PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED  
January 2, 1998

TITLE OF INVENTION PROGRAM FLOW METHOD AND METHOD FOR EXPANDING A PROGRAM COMPONENT SYSTEM

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Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

1. ☒ This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
2. ☐ This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
3. ☒ This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)) at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 U.S.C. 371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(1).
4. ☒ A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date.
5. ☒ A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))
  - a. ☐ is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☒ has been transmitted by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
6. ☒ A translation of the International Application into English (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).
7. ☒ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))
  - a. ☐ are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☐ have been transmitted by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☐ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
  - d. ☒ have not been made and will not be made.
8. ☐ A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
9. ☐ An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).
10. ☒ A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).

Items 11. to 16. below concern document(s) or information included:

11. ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
12. ☐ An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
13. ☒ A FIRST preliminary amendment.  
☐ A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment.
14. ☐ A substitute specification.
15. ☐ A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.
16. ☒ Other items or information:

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.Translation of A) the response to the Office Action and  
B) amendment pages 1 and 1a

17. ☒ The following fees are submitted:

**BASIC NATIONAL FEE** (37 CFR 1.492 (a) (1) - (5)) :

Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482)  
nor international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO  
and International Search Report not prepared by the EPO or JPO ..... \$970.00

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but all claims did not satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4) ..... \$670.00

International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482)  
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\$ 840.00

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months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)).

\$ 130.00

CLAIMS	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE		
Total claims	16 - 20 =	0	X \$18.00	\$ 0.00	
Independent claims	2 - 3 =	0	X \$78.00	\$ 0.00	
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable)			+ \$260.00	\$ 0.00	

**TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =**

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must also be filed (Note 37 CFR 1.9, 1.27, 1.28).

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**TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =**

\$ 970.00

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- a. ☒ A check in the amount of \$ 970.00 to cover the above fees is enclosed.
- b. ☐ Please charge my Deposit Account No. \_\_\_\_\_ in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to cover the above fees.  
A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- c. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any  
overpayment to Deposit Account No. 20-0888. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

**NOTE:** Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.

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**PATENT**

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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**Serial No.:** Not yet assigned  
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**Title:** PROGRAM FLOW METHOD AND METHOD FOR  
EXPANDING A PROGRAM COMPONENT SYSTEM

**TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

**To:** Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Box PCT  
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Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

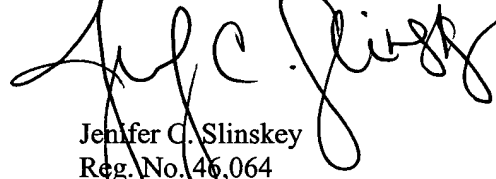
Enclosed for filing in the above-captioned application, please find the following:

1. A PCT Transmittal Letter (PTO-1390);
2. a copy of the International Application as filed translated into English;
3. a Preliminary Amendment;
4. a translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)); and
5. a translation of A) the Response to the Office Action and B) amendment pages 1 and 1a.

Also enclosed is a return postcard. Please date stamp and mail the postcard in order to acknowledge receipt of the above mentioned documents.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment associated with this communication to our Deposit Account No. 20-0888. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jennifer C. Slinsky", written over the typed name and address.

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